

STATE OF ARIZONA



Amended Writ Calling a Primary and General Election for the United States Senate

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2018, a vacancy occurred in the United States Senate after the death of the Honorable John Sidney McCain III, and that office is officially declared vacant; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Amendment XVII of the United States Constitution, upon the occurrence of a vacancy in the office of United States Senator, the governor shall issue a writ of election to fill the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 7, § 17 of the Arizona Constitution both a primary and general election are required to fill a vacancy in the United States Senate; and

WHEREAS, Section 16-222(D) of the Arizona Revised Statutes requires “[i]f a vacancy in the office of United States senator occurs one hundred fifty days or less before the next regular primary election date...the vacancy is filled at the second regular general election held after the vacancy occurs.”

WHEREAS, pursuant to these constitutional and statutory requirements, I issued an original Writ of Election on September 5, 2018. Thereafter, the Legislature amended Section 16-201 of the Arizona Revised Statutes to prescribe that “...primary election[s] shall be held on the first Tuesday in August in any year in which a general election or special election is held....” The newly amended Section 16-201 of the Arizona Revised Statutes became effective August 27, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, by the power vested in me by Article 7, § 17 of the Arizona Constitution and Section 16-222(D) of the Arizona Revised Statutes, hereby amend the Writ of Election dated September 5, 2018 to proclaim and order the calling of a primary election and a general election in accordance with Arizona law for the purpose of filling the vacancy of United States Senator in Arizona. The primary election shall occur on August 4, 2020 and the general election shall occur on November 3, 2020.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.



GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 6th day of September in the year Two Thousand Nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-fourth.

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

